

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
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National Parks in Karnataka

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount released by the Union Government to Bandipur and Nagarhole National Parks in Karnataka during the last three years; part-wise;
- (b) whether the migration of foreign birds in Ranganathittu Birds Sanctuary is coming down each year due to increasing pollution and shortage of water therein; and
- (c) if so, the details of the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has provided financial assistance to the State Government of Karnataka under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of 'Project Tiger' for upkeep of Bandipur and Nagarhole Tiger Reserves. The details of financial assistance released during the last three years are as under:

(Rs. in Lakhs)

S.No. Tiger Reserve 2012-13 2013-14 2014-15

1. Bandipur 221.543 808.841 676.753

2. Nagarhole 222.049 251.1008 279.506

Total 443.592

1059.9418

956.259

(b) As informed by the State Government of Karnataka, bird populations are not decreasing in Ranganathittu Birds Sanctuary.

(c) Ministry provides financial assistance to State/Union Territory Governments including the Government of Karnataka for taking up activities for protection and conservation of wildlife including birds and its habitats under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of 'Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats'.
